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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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SUBJECT: 25X1X Reply to Questions on Certain CIA Figures for Communist Economic Assistance to Less Developed Countries

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a number of questions were raised
about credits carried by CIA that are at variance with thoese

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I am listingabelow the information for
which we have based our judgements and, wherever possible, have
suppended relevant source materials. We would welcome further

25X1X7 comments from the forthcoming report for 1965.

Please offer my apologies for the delay in transmitting this information, but on my return I became involved immediately in preparing the Semiannual -- now the Annual.

1. Extension Dates of Brazil-East European Credit Accords:

Czechoslovakia, May 1961 Poland, Mov 1962 Rumania, May 1961

The Czech and Rumanian accords became operative on signing.

Excerpts from agreements below:

Rumania Accord, Article XXII

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This agreement will take effect on the date the respective ratification documents are exchanged. Meanwhile, the provisions of this agreement will be applied temporarily, on the date the undersigned notify each other of the prior acceptance of the above provisions by competent authorities of each government.

Signed May 1961

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Czechoslovakian Accord, Article VI 25X1A2a

> While waiting for the exchange of ratification documents of the trade and payments egreement of 24 June 1960, both parties will make its provisions immediately and provisionally applicable.

Signed 19 May 1961.

The Polish agreement, however, did not become effective until probably late in 1962.

Polish Accord, Article XI 25X1A2g

The present protocol shall come into force after the confirmation of its validity by the respective authorities of the two countries, the day when the documents of confirmation are exchanged

Since no provision was made for the temporary application of the accord, the formal ratification date, early in 1963, normally would be the date of the credit extension. Nevertheless, November 1962 is considered as the date of extension because the Brazilian Embassy in Washington amounced the credit in its Newsletter of Movemberr1962. Moreover, in December 1962 a contract was signed

under the credit to build a thermal electric plant in the Rio Grande du Sol. (This contract has since been abrogated.)

This situation can be explained by the fact that the formality of ratification is not always observed in Brazil, and there are other examples of agreements that were operative before they required ratification. (Note Attachment A)

Drawings on Brazilian-Rumanian Credit of 1961: As of 30 December 1965, total deliveries under this credit are estimated at \$7 million. This figure represents the estimated value of

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16 rigs and related equipment that were purchased by Brazil, presumably under the credit, and all believed to be delivered by the and of 1965.

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Drawings on Brazil-Czech Credit of 1961: Early in 1965 the stated that only \$5 to \$6 million of A. Smay 1960

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Czech credits had been used. Later in the year the American Imbassy in Rio estimated total drawings of \$10 million. This Inter figure has been accepted by CIA as total cumulative drawings

on the credit through the end of 1965.

4. Indonesian-Polish Credit of August 1961: This credit is carried as \$37.5 million, although the original agreement provided for only \$30 million in credits which were to cover 80 percent of the f.o.b. value of deliveries under the credit. A protocol signed in 1962 eliminated the downpayment provision and specified that credits were to cover 100 percent of the foreign exchange scets. (Note Attachment B) To cover these increased costs that were now to come under the credit, the amount of the credit was raised by \$7.5 million.

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Indonesia-Chinese Communist Credits: The date of extension of the \$30 million Chinese Communist credit is carried as October 1961. Although the credit may have been offered at an earlier date, all of our sources give the actual date of the agreement as 11 October 1961. (Note Attachment C)

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6. Cambodia-Czechoslovakia 1961 Credit: He carry the 1961 line

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projects to be brunch lunder it carry many ment required on all deliveries. Is it possible that

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7. Yemen-USSR: CIA figure for the March 1964 Soviet credit to Yemen has been revised upward to \$72.2 million 25X1C

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- 8. Tran-USER: The recently announced figure of \$290 million as the value of the credit for the steel mill, machine tools plant and technical services for part of the pipe line will be included in the estimate of credits extended during 1965. In spite of the fact that the agreement, stipulating the amount of the credit, was not signed until 15 January 1966, agreement on project assistance was reached in June 1965 during the Shah's visit to Moscow and an agreement was signed in October 1965 to provide technical and financial assistance to Iran. Thus, the credit will be carried as a 1965 credit, although we say change the extension date to 1966 at a later time.
- 9. Turkey-USSR: An estimated figure of \$200 million for Soviet aid to Turkey will be included in the 1965 estimate of credit

extensions. (Based on estimates in the London Times, 15 November 1965, of \$200 million) Although the value of the credit is contingent on the results of surveys currently being undertaken (as was the case in Iran), 1965 is considered as the date of the extension since the agreement to cooperate in undertaking several specific projects was signed during 1965. As for Iran, it may be appropriate at some later date to change the year of extension to 1966.

- 10. <u>UAR-Bulgaria</u>: October 1965 credit of \$37 million. (Note Attachment E)
- 11. UAR-Hungary: Loan of \$42 million in 1965.

Agreement reported to have been signed 5 November 1965.

The Cairo press stated at that time that it would be a long term loan, repayable in installments in Egyptian commodities. MENA reported again on 7 February 1966 that Hungary will provide the UAR with capital goods, factories and spare parts worth 15 million pounds sterling under the terms of a 5 year trade and economic cooperation agreement signed in Cairo.

American Embassy, Cairo, reported on 19 November 1965 that an economic cooperation agreement was signed with Hungary on 5 November, whereby the UAR will receive additional credits of 15 million pounds sterling to finance factories and industrial equipment under the Second Five Year Plan. According to the Cairo press, it will be a long-term loan, repayable in installments, in Egyptian commodities.

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12. Chang-USSR: Allocation of credits to consumer goods purchases, under the 1960 and 1961 accords. (Note Attachment F)

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13. Ghana-USSR: IL-18 aircraft. (Note Attachment C)

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carry the following additional Soviet credits in our tables in the future:

August 1961 -- Fishing trawlers -- \$2.8 million. (Excludes 40 percent downpayment)

September 1961 Agricultural Machinery -- \$1.4 million (Excludes 10 percent downpayment.)

